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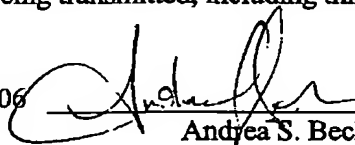
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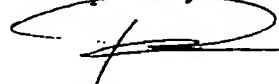
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Sir:

In response to a request by the Examiner, attached is a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,652,216. As understood by the undersigned, the claims are otherwise in condition for allowance. Applicants also note that "[t]he filing of a terminal disclaimer to obviate a rejection based on nonstatutory double patenting is not an admission of the propriety of the rejection. *Quad Environmental Technologies Corp. v. Union Sanitary District*, 946 F.2d 870, 20 USPQ2d 1392 (Fed. Cir. 1991). A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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FEE TRANSMITTAL
For FY 2006☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 130**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/693,296
Filing Date	October 24, 2003
First Named Inventor	Astegno, Pierre
Examiner Name	Gregory W. Adams
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

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Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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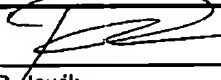
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In re Application of: Pierre Astegno et al.

Application No.: 10/693,296

Filed: Oct. 24, 2003

For: Method And Device For Changing A Semiconductor Wafer Position

The owner*, Redif Technologies SAS, of 100 percent interest in the instant application hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term prior patent No. 6,652,216 as the term of said prior patent is defined in 35 U.S.C. 154 and 173, and as the term of said prior patent is presently shortened by any terminal disclaimer. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and the prior patent are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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